



## NOMINATION FORM

### 2009 FIRE & LIFE SAFETY EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

#### **About the Award...**

Nominations are being accepted for the 2009 *Massachusetts Fire and Life Safety Educator of the Year Award*. This award is designed to recognize individuals or teams for their involvement and commitment to make our world safer from fire or other preventable injuries. Although fire and life safety education may be their job, we are looking for people who go above and beyond to make a difference. We seek to honor people who demonstrate qualities such as leadership, teamwork, creativity, vision, and perseverance. The winner's name will be inscribed on a perpetual plaque which hangs at the Department of Fire Services. The winner will be invited to participate in fire prevention activities with the State Fire Marshal, and to represent fire and life safety educators at appropriate events throughout the year. The award and the runner-up citations will be presented on September 24, 2009 at 15th Annual Fire and Life Safety Education Conference to be held at the Devens Common Center .

#### **Who can be nominated...**

Nominees may be a member of any profession. They may impact the safety of any part or many parts of the community -- children, older adults, teens, special groups of citizens or the general public.

Name of Nominee(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Who can make nominations...**

Anyone can make a nomination - peers, chief officers, teachers, principals, or citizens. Do you know someone who has made a difference and deserves to be recognized? Let us know who and why.

Name of Nominator(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Send this nomination form to...**

**By mail:** Department of Fire Services  
Fire & Life Safety Educator of the Year Award  
P.O. Box 1025 - State Road  
Stow, MA 01775

**By Fax:** 978.567.3199

**By e-mail:** [jennifer.mieth@state.ma.us](mailto:jennifer.mieth@state.ma.us)

#### **Nomination Deadline...**

August 28, 2009 -- Before Labor Day weekend!

#### **Judging...**

The Public Fire and Life Safety Educator of the Year will be selected by a committee appointed by the State Fire Marshal.

***Please explain...***

Please explain why the nominee(s) deserves special recognition by writing a short answer to each of the following questions.

Please attach any supporting materials such as newspaper articles, handouts, letters, lesson plans or photos that will assist the selection committee with the difficult task of selecting the one Fire and Life Safety Educator who stands out in a field of talented educators.

***Please use another sheet of paper to answer the following:***

***1. Why does this nominee deserve special recognition?***

***2. How successful is the program?***

*(any Young Heroes? statistics? behavior changes by the public or inside the organization?)*

***3. What is innovative or creative about the approach?***

***4. What partnerships were built?***

*(within or between agencies?)*

***5. What leadership was shown?***

***6. What obstacles were surmounted or challenges faced?***

